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GOV. A. O. EBERTHART.

Who makes the opening address of the Willmar Park Assembly, July 20.

## Personal Mention

Ed. Nelson of Svea spent Friday in Minneapolis.

Dr. Lester Porter was up from Atwater Friday evening.

O. K. Severinson and daughter went to Minneapolis Friday.

Mrs. Oscar Larson has been visiting friends at Canby the past week.

C. Hilstrom was here from Grove City Friday evening the guest of friends.

Miss Anna Schollin went to Spicer Saturday to visit at the F. H. Harris home.

Miss Ida Boe is entertaining Miss Clara Hanson at her home at Norway Lake.

Mrs. C. Neuberger was a week end guest of Mrs. George Hanson of Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Powers returned from their bridal trip the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hedin attended the Monson-Ekblad wedding at Ringo Lake Saturday.

Miss Clara W. Odell came from Minneapolis and was the guest of Willmar relatives last week.

Mrs. George Tyler and Miss Winifred Sherwood are expected home from the East Saturday evening.

Miss Ethel Styles has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. McKenney in Minneapolis, the past two weeks.

Albert Minton, who has been day clerk at the Merchants Hotel for some time, left for Minneapolis on Saturday.

Mrs. James Sanderson goes to Litchfield today, where she will be entertained by Mrs. R. Ziesmer and other friends.

Minister Ove Gude, Norway's representative at Washington, D. C., died July 2 at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Mrs. J. C. Hening arrived from Minneapolis Thursday and is a guest of Mrs. G. A. Moore and Mrs. Russel Spicer.

Miss Nora Rannestad, who had been visiting Mrs. Erick Glad of Minneapolis, returned to Willmar Wednesday evening.

L. F. Hodgson has gone to Burt, Iowa, to attend a family reunion to be held on the eightieth birthday anniversary of his mother.

Mrs. Charles A. Affleck goes to Minneapolis today to attend the wedding of her nephew and to visit friends a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Ackerman have for their guests their daughter, Mrs. J. H. Kirkpatrick and children of Browns Valley.

Rev. and Mrs. T. O. Tolo and children of Belgrade are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Thorpe at their Eagle Lake cottage.

Mrs. C. A. Birch and daughter Gladys of Willmar visited here with the Van Vorst family while on their way to Spokane, Wash.—Paynesville Leader-Press.

Miss Inga Wiggen and her brother, Harold Wiggen, after spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Nelson, returned to their home in Minneapolis Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Olson were here from Atwater Friday. Miss Ida Sanderson went home with them and will enjoy a week's vacation at the Olson cottage at Diamond Lake.

Dr. Lester Porter and Newell Olson are planning to leave soon on a three weeks' trip through the West, and expect to enjoy a visit at the principal points on the Pacific coast.—Atwater Rep. Press.

Dr. Frank W. Adams left Saturday morning for Bridger, Montana, where he expects to open a dental office. He was accompanied by his brother Charlie Adams, who also will remain in the west.

Miss Mary Erlandson is enjoying a six weeks' vacation from her work as manager of Peterson & Wellin's dressmaking department. She will spend the most of the time at her home in Mamre.

**Olson-Franklin.**  
The marriage of Miss Rachel Franklin, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. A. W. Franklin, and Julius B. Olson of Perkins County, S. D., on Wednesday, July 6, was a quiet affair. The service was read by the bride's father, who is pastor of the Salem Mission church and the immediate family were the only witnesses. Later in the evening the young people of the congregations gave the bridal couple a surprise reception which was happily planned and an enjoyable affair.

**Ekblad-Monson.**  
A beautiful wedding of Saturday was that of Miss Matilda Monson to Mr. Martin Ekblad. The marriage took place at Ringo Lake at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Johanna Monson, at 2 o'clock. Rev. Swenson of the Swedish Lutheran church at New London performed the ceremony before nearly 120 guests. Through the rooms a color thought of pink and white was carried out by a variety of flowers.

Miss Esther Monson sounded the wedding march and the bridal party took their places under an arch of feathery green and yellow daisies erected on the lawn and here the marriage vows were spoken. The bride was dressed in tan silk and carried cream roses. The maid of honor was Miss Amanda Monson and she wore a lingerie gown and her flowers were carnations. The bride's other attend-

ants were her niece, Miss Laura Monson, and two sisters of the groom, all daintily dressed in white. Attending the bride groom were two of his brothers, Albert Monson and Victor Holm. August Monson a brother of the bride gave her in marriage.

The ceremony was followed by an informal reception and elaborate wedding dinner served in a tent on long tables gay with carnations, sweet peas and many more of the season's flowers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ekblad will be at home at Dawson after August first. They have a large circle of friends who congratulate them most heartily.

Mr. and Mrs. Swan Anderson are entertaining Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Osterholm, who arrived from West Superior Tuesday and joined them at the lake, where they are enjoying cottage life for a few weeks. Rev. Osterholm was a former pastor of the Swedish Mission church in this city.

Supt. G. A. Foster was here from Wheaton, Thursday and Friday, consulting with the Board of Education in regard to school matters. He will bring his family to Willmar about August 1 and in the meantime will visit the agricultural schools at Canby, Glencoe and Coakato and make a thorough investigation of that branch of High school work.

## ALL READY FOR THE BIG EVENT

Special Train Service to Accommodate the Big Crowds from East, West, North, South.

Tomorrow is the date for the great sangerfest at Willmar and all will be in readiness to receive the singers when their special train pulls in at one o'clock. After dinner at the Carlson hall there will be a parade to the grounds and an automobile trip around town is also planned. The evening program will begin early with music by the orchestra. At 8:30 the concert proper will begin.

Special trains will take the people back after the concert as far north as Paynesville and east to Coakato. Extra cars will be placed on all the trains running into Willmar in the afternoon. The advance sale of tickets and reservations from along the lines in all directions indicate that there will be a very large attendance.

### Licenses to Wed.

July 9—Peter J. Peterson to Sophia Regina Seeland.  
Henning E. Bomsta to Hattie Lillian Flamm.  
July 11—August Gabbert to Matilda Miller.

### A Delightful Social Event.

Mrs. Jerry English is entertaining her sister, Mrs. A. D. Forester of Yankton, and in her honor and for Mrs. Frank Bell of Crookston, who is the guest of Mrs. George Winney, and Mesdames George Stewart and W. H. Nethaway, before their departure for new homes, she gave a charming affair Friday afternoon at which 30 ladies were her guests. The pretty rooms were bright with flowers, quantities of sweet peas were used, clusters of these lovely blossoms appearing everywhere. Bridge was played at four tables while the other guests enjoyed an amusing contest. Small tables with dainty place cards were arranged for the appetizing menu, which Mesdames D. Townsend, F. W. Minton, George Winney and Misses Marion Minton, Ruth Stewart and Marguerite Stockwell assisted in serving. The favors of the games were won by Mesdames C. E. Hornbeck and A. N. Baldwin.

Rev. J. N. Andersen went to Blair, Nebraska, Friday and on Sunday preached the installation sermon and had charge of the services installing Rev. J. D. Wein, pastor of the Synod church at Blair.

Mrs. L. McKenzie left for Fargo Friday after spending three days at the home of J. E. Pelton.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Dittmarson were in Willmar Friday enroute from Fargo to Irving.

### Death of Samuel B. Green.

That Professor Samuel B. Green, dropped suddenly dead Monday morning in the University forestry school station at Lake Itasca, was the sad intelligence contained in a telegram to Hon. A. E. Rice of this city. He was recently elected as dean of the forestry school of Minnesota and his death will cause a great many vacancies on the different boards and organizations of which he was an active member. He will be remembered by many here as one of the judges of the horticultural exhibit at Willmar three years ago. Prof. Green was a recognized authority on horticultural and forestry subjects during the 22 years of his connection with the university, and his place will be an exceedingly hard one to fill.

Dr. Hans Johnson and family went to Eagle Lake, near Willmar, Wednesday for a ten days' outing. Mr. Johnson is now able to get about with the aid of crutches but he will be several weeks yet before he will be able to walk on the broken leg he sustained a few weeks ago.—Kerkhoven Banner.

Miss Hannah Person returned to Washburn, N. D., Tuesday to visit with her father, John Person, who is not in the best of health.

Thomas Flynn of Buhl was the guest of Miss Feig and Miss Ella Lorentzen Friday.

### Deals in Real Estate.

The A. H. Brown Agency reports three sales this week. Elias Rache purchased the Hans Nelson farm 3 1/2 miles west of Willmar, a good piece of property. The Swan Walgren farm in Fahlun was sold to E. Erickson. This is a very finely located farm on the east shore of Lake Waconda and is said to have the largest apple orchard in the county, there being more than one thousand trees set out. The consideration was \$62 per acre. Mr. Brown also sold a forty in Sec. 15 St. Johns township for Louis Lundvall to Mr. Gesch.

### Dr. Newman to Leave County.

Dr. G. A. Newman, the physician at New London, has, according to reports, secured the appointment of hospital physician at the new state's prison hospital at Stillwater and will in the near future leave this county to take up his new duties at the prison. He has sold his practice to a Dr. Oppgaard. That New London and vicinity will greatly regret to see Dr. Newman and family leave goes without saying.

Judge and Mrs. C. E. Lien left last week on a trip to the west coast. They will spend several weeks in Seattle and visit a number of places before their return.

Miss Anna Larson left for Murdock Friday after a short stay with Alma Brandt.



J. M. STEDMAN.

Who comes all the way from Washington, D. C., to speak at the Farmer's session of Willmar Park Assembly, July 21.

## LOCAL BREVITIES

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Frve a daughter, July 2nd.

Clarence Danielson has gone to Morris to work with the tie gang.

The men of the First M. E. church will give an ice cream social at the church Saturday evening. Everybody invited.

Miss Blanche Coleman of Harbor Springs, Michigan, has been engaged as teacher of music and drawing in the Willmar schools.

Lightning struck the house of G. J. Bratberg on Saturday, July 2. Mrs. Bratberg had a shock and was ill for a time but is now improving.

Miss Gertrude Rasmussen was 8 years old the seventh of July and in the afternoon she entertained fifteen of her friends very happily with games and a delicious supper.

The ladies of the Swedish M. E. church in Kandiyohi will give a social at the home of Elias Johnson Friday, the 15th, both afternoon and evening. Everybody welcome.

The postoffice block was sold last week to Mr. R. E. Werkman of Merriam Park. Mr. Werkman was here looking over his new acquisition, and expressed himself as well pleased with Willmar.

Mesdames A. E. Rice, W. J. Pinney and S. B. Quale left for Duluth this morning and will sail this evening on the "Juanita" for a two weeks' trip on the Great Lakes and down the St. Lawrence.

Mrs. Tom Olson entertained at her home on Thursday. Her guests were the members of the Eyelet embroidery club. At the close of an afternoon of visiting and fancy work, a delicious luncheon was served.

Miss Ellen Hanson on the old Birch place has invited the members of the W. C. T. U. and their friends to a picnic party next Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock. There will be election of officers at this meeting.

The social given by the young people of the Synod church Friday evening was well patronized and was a very pleasing affair. Delicious refreshments were served and the program of music was most enjoyable.

Willie L. Crosby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Crosby, former well known residents of Willmar, has joined the Chase-Lister theatrical company and will make his first appearance with them at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, August 5.

Forty ladies were the guests of Mrs. M. O. Thorpe Friday afternoon and were delightfully entertained. A tempting supper was served on two long tables in the Seminary boarding hall and garden flowers were the decorations.

The Red Cross society met in regular session Tuesday afternoon at the Commercial Club rooms. Reports of committees showed effective work being done. A full report of what the society has accomplished since its permanent organization in April will be published next week.

The beautifully mounted swan, which occupies a prominent position on the top of the curio cabinet at the Willmar Public Library, was the gift of Mrs. C. A. Birch, and the artistic lawn vase was presented by Hon. N. Quam of New London. Both gifts are highly appreciated by the library board and the patrons of the library.

## PHOTOGRAPHS

Special Reduction on Photographs During the Willmar Park Assembly Meeting—July 20 to 29 at the Simons Studio.

## THE J. EMIL NELSON CORPORATION

What It Is, What It Aims To Do, and What It Wants—The Playford Cement Stave and Its Advantages in Silo and Other Cylindrical Constructions.

No doubt you will all be surprised at the news item in the papers this week regarding the organization of the J. Emil Nelson Corporation, and the succeeding of The American Manufacturing Corporation by it. For that reason, and in order that we may have a thorough understanding between us as to where we are at, what we are, what we want and what we shall aim to accomplish, I feel that it is again necessary to make a statement. I trust you will give it the consideration that I feel it is entitled to.

The ideas embodied in The J. Emil Nelson Corporation are not exactly new with me. For a long time I have had under consideration the organization of a corporation broad enough in scope to enable me to work out certain business ideas. My aim in organizing The American Manufacturing Corporation was to give me such an instrument, but I never felt fully satisfied with it, and the more I thought of it the more I felt that before I could really put my shoulder to the wheel I would have to have another vehicle, and besides other interested parties raised conclusive objections to the position occupied by the American Manufacturing Corporation. The result is this new corporation. It will now take the place of The American Manufacturing Corporation. The capital of the new corporation is 100,000 shares of common and 40,000 shares of six per cent preferred. The par value of the shares is \$10.00. In this corporation I have placed nearly all of my holdings in Minnesota-Arizona Copper Company and Copper Creek Mining Company, the Gasoline Engine Works, my office building, Willmar, the control in the Playford Cement Stave Contract and the factory. For this the corporation pays 70,000 shares of common stock, and the equivalent of 2,500 preferred. You can place your own estimate on the value of the corporation's assets and the probable value of its common stock.

### What is Our Aim?

Briefly, our aim is three-fold. We want to build up a manufacturing plant or plants that will be a credit and a benefit to our community as well as to the state as a whole; we aim to make money, because without money we cannot build up our enterprise, and unless we can build up our enterprise it is of very little material value to our community, and last but not least we shall aim to use our influence, our money and our energy to help promote these conditions, locally as well as otherwise, that spells progress, not only along material lines but along other avenues of man's endeavor. How well we will succeed in these efforts time will tell. One thing only I can and do pledge—a sincere, earnest and determined effort will be made and all the experience, perseverance and energy that I have and that I can profitably enlist will be placed back of the movement.

### How to Do It.

To give you the various details of how I expect to accomplish this is of course impossible. It might be well, however, to give you some idea of how we expect to proceed. As I have previously stated through these columns, I have great faith in the possibilities of the Playford Cement Stave. It does not require a great amount of capital to make, but unlike other manufactured products, it cannot all be made at one place and for that reason needs special organization to bring it to market profitably. As quickly as we get the necessary capital we shall not only push the manufacture of staves locally but we shall make the machines necessary for work at other places. As quickly as we get our selling force organized in any locality we shall aim to have a small stove factory as close to them as possible. We shall aim to bring the merits of the Stave Silo to the attention of the people of Minnesota first, through an aggressive publicity campaign. When we have thoroughly organized ourselves in Minnesota we shall look to other fields to conquer, and the work of organizing subsidiary corporations in other states to handle our products there will be pushed as rapidly as possible. As quickly as we feel strong enough to back a movement of that kind we shall place a special man in charge of the railroad water tank end of the cement business and push the sale of water tanks or the privilege to use our Stave to railroad companies. This alone will eventually develop into big business.

### Our Land Department.

As soon as we get a number of the central states organized in such a way that we are in touch with thousands of progressive citizens and farmers, we shall get a competent manager and put him in charge of our Land Department. With a little reasoning you can probably figure what will be possible to do by the right party in such a place. At least we can be the means of bringing good citizens to our own county and state to occupy the now unoccupied farms, and if we do no more I feel that we render a service to this community at least, as well as to those we induce to come here.

### The Gasoline Engine Factory.

What of it? Farmers who buy Silos are progressive farmers. When they have a Silo they will need ensilage cutters, corn loaders, gasoline engines and so forth. As soon as we see a market for our

engines we shall start to make them. Meanwhile we do not intend to let the factory lay idle, however. We believe Willmar is the right location for repair works, and as soon as we can get hold of the resources and a competent man to put in charge we shall open it as such. This need not alarm other repair shops in Willmar. Our aim is not to crowd them out but to bring enough additional business to Willmar to give us all we want without doing so.

### Other Plans.

We shall aim to place ourselves in a position to supply our silo friends not only with silos and gasoline engines, but any other machinery they may need. If we don't make it ourselves we shall aim to get the sale of it. Anything that we do take up the sale of we shall try to get it manufactured at Willmar either by having it come into our organization or come here independently. In that way we shall do what we can to bring other industries to our city and county. These and many other things we shall aim to do through the J. Emil Nelson Corporation.

### What Are You Going to Do?

I have now briefly outlined what we shall aim to do. Now what are you going to do? Are you going to stand idly by and say "it can't be done," "count the risk, not the reward," "shrink before you fight," "quit before you hit," "succumb to fright before you make your fight," or are you going to say that anyone who is willing to assume such responsibilities that will benefit the community deserves your co-operation, and to the extent that you can, you will lend your support? Friend, foe, neutral or otherwise, I want to know where you are. If you are with us, show it, and if you are against us, at least say so out loud in such a way that we can defend ourselves. There is nothing more contemptible than to sneak around with a half-truth-half-lie statement, nor is there anything which gives the tired feeling to anyone who attempts anything along any line any faster than to meet people who insist on staying off the "band wagon" until the battle is won, or who want to stay in the trenches while the other fellow bares his bosom to the bullets of the enemy. Are you going to stay in the trenches, or are you going to come out in the open with the inspiring statement that to the extent of at least ten dollars you too will bare your bosom and help in the cause of a factory for Willmar.

### We Need the Money.

In Kandiyohi County we have something like five thousand voters. Among them there ought to be between two and three thousand who can spare ten dollars for an enterprise that they are interested in seeing prosper, especially since we shall not ask for the amount as a present, but as a loan on which we will pay you six per cent. In other words, we want to sell you one share (\$10.00) of preferred stock in The J. Emil Nelson Corporation. If you want to invest more, we shall be glad to have you do so, if, at the time we need it, but now, we want to sell you one share, ten dollars. I hope I have at least 2,500 friends in Kandiyohi County and elsewhere who have confidence enough in my ability to "make good" to make this little investment with me, and to make it now. Don't wait, or put it off, the corporation needs the money now if it shall be able to proceed with its plans, and the only way it can be of any benefit to you or the community is if it can push ahead. Remember this, in sending your ten dollars for one share of preferred stock, you do not only send us that with which to buy powder but you send us a message of cheer, implying by it that you for one are with us, and that may mean as much as the ten dollars.

Thanking the people of Kandiyohi County for past courtesies and trusting that in the future I may continue to deserve them, I am Sincerely yours,  
J. EMIL NELSON.

### WHAT IS THE PLAYFORD CEMENT STAVE?

We are living in the beginning of the Cement Age. Wood, which has for countless ages been the principal structural material, except in the congested districts of large cities where the danger of conflagrations forbid its use, is now being relegated to the rear. Cheapness, which has been the principal cause for its use, has disappeared as a factor, for it is getting higher in price every year. Cement, on the other hand, has been cheapened by improved methods of production, and the fact that it can be used with such a large proportion of such a cheap material as sand makes it especially desirable. Various means of using it have been devised for different purposes. The latest of these is the Playford Cement Stave, designed for cylindrical structures, such as silos, water tanks, standpipes, well curbing, culverts, drains, etc.

In using wood for such structures it has been found cheapest to use staves held together by hoops. It does away with the necessity of a framework to support the structure. The staves support each other against pressure from without and the hoops can be designed to stand all the pressure from the inside. It gives the maximum of strength with the minimum of material.

But all such structures of wood are open to two great objections. The wood will rot in a few years; the staves swell and bulge in wet weather and contract in dry weather. The hoops must be tightened or loosened according to the weather. In silos this objection is especially strong, as the least crack or bulge will admit air and spoil the silage.

The Playford Cement Stave has been designed to take advantage of the good points of stave construction and overcome the disadvantages of wood staves. The cement stave will not rot; it will not swell or shrink. The only change in size is the slight expansion in heat and contraction in cold weather, and as the iron hoops expand and contract in the same degree the pressure is the same in all kinds of weather, and the hoops once adjusted will need no further attention.

The staves are flat blocks of cement ware, 30 inches long, 10 inches wide and 2 1/2 inches thick. One edge of each block is convex and the other concave, making a perfect joint with the same amount of bearing surface whether the curve is great or small. In silos, pressure tanks and other structures higher than the length of the stave, the bottom round is set with alternate full length and half length staves, thus providing for "breaking joints" all the way to the top, the last round also having alternate full and half lengths to even up.

There are many advantages of this form of building over that of other ways of using cement for such purposes. In the first place, it takes much less material. A moulded silo, for instance, is generally made six to eight inches thick; the Playford silo wall is 2 1/2 inches thick, and yet it has ample strength to resist the weight of the building, the pressure from within and the force of heavy winds. Being moulded under expert supervision every stave is perfect, has the right combination of cement and sand of the right kind, is dried evenly and has its full strength before being put in the building. The moulded silo with its thick walls, part of which is exposed to the sun and part in the shade, will dry unevenly and is liable to crack. The crack may be sealed up so as to exclude air and water, but it is impossible to force the cement wash into the full depth of the crack, and there is bound to be a weak place there. An imperfect stave would be rejected in the building, but an imperfect place in a moulded structure cannot be rejected. Moulded structures require a different mould for each size or degree of curvature, thus adding materially to the expense. The patented joint in the Playford Stave eliminates this element of cost.

One great objection to the cement silo has been that the acidity developed in the silage eats away the cement lining on the inside and makes the wall porous, thus spoiling some of the silage. By means of a secret process the Playford Cement Stave is rendered acid-proof, and this process is also used in preparing the cement wash for the inside of the completed silo, thus effectually disposing of this source of trouble and expense.

The silo has come to stay and in a few years it will be considered an indispensable adjunct to every dairy and stock farm. This will create an immense market for the Playford Cement Stave, for it offers the best and most economical method of silo construction as yet devised.

**TANKS AND TROUGHS.**—The modern farm of course has a windmill or an engine to draw water, and some kind of a tank or trough. Wooden tanks are the most common at present, but are unsatisfactory because they are not lasting. Metal tanks have come into use of late years, but the same objection holds against them. Here, as in other lines, cement is the material of the future. The Playford Cement Stave offers the most satisfactory means of construction of water holders, from the largest storage and pressure tanks for distributing water to all parts of the farmstead down to the simplest water trough. It is not an experiment, for the inventor has been building them in Michigan for several years and they have been uniformly successful. Edson Woodman, of Paw Paw, Mich., reports that a tank of this kind has often had a foot of ice on top of the water, the tank standing open and unprotected, and that the enormous pressure of this volume of ice has not injured the tank in the least.

**WELL CURBING.**—Wherever dug wells are used curbing is a necessity. Wood curbing is only a makeshift and imparts a disagreeable taste to the water. Stone curbing is impracticable in many places, and where the material is at hand the labor cost is very great. The Playford Cement Stave is the simplest, strongest and best material for well curbing. It is easily put in place and is everlasting, but if for some reason the well is abandoned the staves can easily be removed and used again.

**CULVERTS, DRAINS, ETC.**—The same reasons that make the Playford Cement Stave preferable for the purposes above noted apply equally well to culverts and drain pipes. In short, for any cylindrical construction with a diameter of 18 inches or more the Playford Cement Stave is the BEST AND MOST ECONOMICAL.

LEWIS JOHNSON,  
Secretary-Treasurer.